TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 211 – HB 214

March 26, 2013

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Authorizes persons called to active duty service in the armed forces to submit a notarized statement containing the person's name, age, current address, and the names and addresses of their parents, to the county clerk for issuance of a marriage license, rather than requiring such persons be present at the time of issuance.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (003834): Adds a new section to the bill requiring any marriage license issued to an applicant who is called to active duty service in the armed forces, who has submitted a notarized statement in order to receive such marriage license, to be valid for ninety days from its issuance by the county clerk.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 36-3-104, incarcerated individuals and persons with disabilities are permitted to submit a notarized statement, rather than be present, for issuance of a marriage license; therefore, it is assumed county clerks will not have to alter current practices to accommodate the addition of persons called to active duty.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 36-3-103, marriage licenses issued by the county clerk remain valid for thirty days; it is assumed allowing for additional length of validation for persons serving in the armed forces will not significantly alter current practices of the county clerk.
- Any fiscal impact to local government as a result of this bill as amended is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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